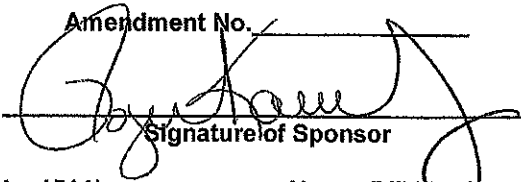


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by deleting all language after the enacting clause and substituting instead the following:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 8, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

By July 1, 2019, each state institution of higher education operated by the board of regents and each state university shall adopt a policy to allow American sign language courses to satisfy any foreign language requirements for admission to an undergraduate degree program. Each institution is encouraged to allow American sign language courses to satisfy the foreign language general education requirements for an undergraduate degree program, unless the institution, in its discretion, determines that a foreign language other than American sign language should be required for an academic major.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 49, Chapter 9, Part 1, is amended by adding the following as a new section:

By July 1, 2019, each institution operated by the University of Tennessee shall adopt a policy to allow American sign language courses to satisfy any foreign language requirements for admission to an undergraduate degree program. Each institution is encouraged to allow American sign language courses to satisfy the foreign language general education requirements for an undergraduate degree program, unless the institution, in its discretion, determines that a foreign language other than American sign language should be required for an academic major.



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SECTION 3. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.